CHARACTERISTIC AND ELCQUENT SERMON BY REV. DR. TALMAGE.

He Takes For His Subject From Conquest to Conquest-Is Christianity Retrograding and the Bible Losing Its Hold?-An Encouraging Discourse.

BROOKLYN. March 18 .- In the Tabernacle today R.v. Dr. Talmage p each ed a most elequent and characteristically vigorus sermon in refutation of the of renewed assertion of the enemies of re ligion that Christianity is retrograding and the Bible losing its hold upon the hearts and consciences of men. The subject of the discourse as approunced was, "From Conquest to Conquest." the text being taken fem A nos ix. 13. Behold, the days come, saith the Lord that the plowman shall overtake the

reaper." Picture of a tropical clime with a sea sen so prosperous tha the barvest reaches clear over to the planting time. and the swarthy bushandman swinging the sickle in the thick grain almost fee's the breath of the horses on his shoulders the horses bitched to the plow preparing for a new crop. "Behold the days come saith the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper." When is that? That is now. That is this day when hardly have you done reaping one har vest before the plowmen is getting ready

for another. I know that many declare that Christianity has collapsed; that the Bible is an obsolete book; that the Christian church is on the retreat. I will here and now show that the opposite of that is true.

An Arab guide was leading a French infidel across a desert, and ever and anen the Arab guide would get down in the sand and pray to the Lord. It disgusted the French infidel, and after awhile as the Arab got up from one of his prayers the infidel said, "How do you know there is any God?" and the Arab guide said: "How do I know that a man and a camel passed along our tent last night? I know it by the footprints in the sand. And you want to know how I know whether there is any God. Look at that sunset: Is that the footstep of a man?" And by the same process you

and I have come to understand that this

book is the footstep of a God. But now let us see whether the Bible is a last year's almanac. Let us see whether the church of God is in a Buli Run retreat, muskets, canteens and haversacks strewing all the way. The great English historian, Sharon Turner, a man of vast learning and of great accuracy, not a clergyman, but an attorney as well as a historian, give this over whelming statistic in regard to Christianity and in regard to the number of Christians in the different centuries. In the first century, 500,000 Christians; in the second century, 2,000,000 Christnans; in the third century, 5,000 000 Christians; in the fourth century, 10,000 000 Christians; in the fifth century, 15,. 000 000 Christians; in the sixth century, 20,000,000 Christians; in the seventh century, 24,000,000 Christians; in the eighth century, 30 000 000 C ristians; in the ninth century, 40,000,000 Christ lans; in the tenth century, 50.000 000 Christians; in the eleventh century, 70,-000 000 Christians; in the twelfth cenin the thir-80,000 000 Christians: teenth century, 75 000,000 Christians; in the fourteenth century, 80,000 000 and people bowed down before her as a

Christians; in the fif eenth century, 100-000,000 Christians; in the six eenin cen corridor of that cathedral were enacted discussion in the secular press? Do you out its power and know its southing 000,000 Christian : in the sixteenth cen seventeenth century 155 000 000 Christ- such scenes of drunkenness and debauch mans; in the eighteenth century, 290 000, 000 Christians-a decadence, as you observe, is! only one century and more than made up in the following centuries while it is the usual computation that there will be, when the record of the nineteenth is made up, at least 300,000. 000 Christians. Poor Christianity! What a pity it has no friends! How lonesome it must be! Who will take it out of the poorhousse? Poor Christianity! Three bacdred mil lions in one century. In a few weeks of the year 1881 2,500 000 copies of the

New Testament distributed. Why, the and a park of artillery ready to chunder down every gate. Lay aside all Christ endom and see how heathendom is being surrounded and honeycombed and attacked by this all conquering gospel. At the beginning of this century there were only 150 missionaries. Now there are 25 000 missionaries and native helpers and evangelists. At the beginning of this century there were only 50,000 beathen converts. Now there are 1,750, 000 converts from beathendom.

There is not a seacoast on the planet and ready to march on north, south. work of an army is to plant the batterwork in 10 minutes. These batteries are opinion inside the church as outside the being planted all along the seacosts and | church. mall nations. It may take a good while to plant them, and they may do all their many different denominations of Chris work in one day. They will. Nations tians. That shows there is nothing in are to be born in a day, But just come religion." I have to tell you that all back to Christendom and recognize the fact that during the last 10 years as or four radical doctrines of the Christian many people bave connected themselves | religion. They are unanimous in regard with evangelical churches as connected to Jesus Christ, and they are unanimous themselves with the churches in the first in regard to the divinity of the Scriptures. 50 years of this century.

Bible, they say, is becoming an obso two of them alike. Oh, it makes lete book. I go into a court, and where- me sick to see these literary fops going ever I find a judge's bench or a clerk's along with a copy of Darwin under one desk I find a Bible. Upon what book arm and a case of transfixed grasshopcould there be uttered the solemnity of pers and butterflies under the other arm, an oath? What book is apt to be put | telling about the "survival of the fittest" in the trunk of the young man as he and Huxley's protoplasm and the nebuleaves for city life? The Bible. What | lar hypothesis! shall I find in nice out of every ten nine out of every ten homes in Christen. dom? The Bible. Voltaire wrote the horns of a beetle, begin to patronize the prophecy that the Bible in the nine-The century is nearly gone, and as there to being a Christian, puts his feet on the

I have to tell you that the room in which Voltaire wrote that prophecy was Lamarche, Wallace warring against crowded from floor to ceiling with Bibles | Cope, even Herschel denouncing Ferfrom Switzerland. Suppose the congress of the United States should pass a law that there should be no more Bibles printed in America and no more Bibles read. It there are 40 000,000 grown people in the United States, there would be 40,000.000 people in an army to put down such a law and defend their right to read the Bible. But suppose the congress of the United States should make a law against the reading or publi cation of any other book, how many people would go out on such a crusade? Could you get 40,000 000 people to go out and risk their lives in defense of Shakespeare's tragedles or Gladstone's light? Seven says Isaac Newton. Three tracts, or Macauley's "History of Eng-

course the one that has 100,000 circula of them agree on that verdict. tion. And if this book has more copies abroad in the world, if there are five times as many Bibles abroad as any other book, does not that show you that the most popular book on the planet today is the Word of God?

"Oh," say people, "the church is a its power, and it is fading out from the was guilty of manslaugh er in the sec-world." Is it? A bishop of the Meth ond degree," and another man says, "I cdist church told me that that denomination averages two new churches every nay of the year. There are at least 1 .-500 new Christian churches built in American every year. Dies that look as though the charch were fading out. as though it were a defunct institution? Which institution stands pearest the pear's of the peopl of America today? do not care in what city, or what neighporhood you go. Which institution is

is? Is it the postoffice? Is it the hotel? Is it the lecturing hall? Ah, you know is not. You know that the institution which stands nearest to the hearts of be American people is the Christian church. If you have ever seen a church hurn down, you have seen thousands of people standing and looking at it-people pie who never go into a churchtears raining down their cheeks. The whole story is told.

You may talk at out the church being collection of hypocrites, but when the diphtheria sweeps your children off whom do you send for? The postmas ter, the attorney general, the hotel keep. er, alderman? No, you send for a minis ter of this Bible religion. And if you have not a room in your house for the ob sequies what building do you solicit? Do you say. "Give me the finest room in the hotel?" Do you say, "Give me that theater?" Do you say, "Give me a place in that public building where I can lay my dead for a little while until we say a praver over it?" No. You say, "Give us the house of God."

And it there is a song to be sung at the obsequies what do you want? What idea. They have utterly exhausted does anybody want? "The Marseillaise" bymp! "God save the Queen?" Our own grand national air? No, They want the hymn with which they sang their old Christian mother into her last sleep, or they want sung the Sabbath school hymn which their little girl sang the last Sabbath afternoon she was out before she got that awful sickness which broke your neart. I appeal to your common sense. You know the most endear ing institution on earth, the most popular institution on earth today, is the

church of the Lord Jesus Christ. The infidels say, "Infidelity shows its success from the fact that it is everywhere accepted, and it can say what it will." Why, my friends, infidelity is not half so biatant in our day as it was in the days of our fathers. Do you know that in the days of our fathers there were pronounced infidels in public au thority, and they could get any political position? Let a man today declare himself antagonistic to the Christian religion, and what city wants him for mayor, what state wants him for governor, what nation wants him for president or for king? Let a man openly proclaim himself the enemy of our glorious Christianity, and he cannot get a majority of votes in any state, in any city, in any

county, in any ward of America. Do you think that such a scene could be enacted now as was enacted in the days of Robespierre, when a shameless the morning and evening papers, scatwas carried in a golden chair to a cathedral was carried in a golden chair to a cathedral what an encourage dral, where incense was burned to her the millions. What an encourage the ment to every Christian man! and people bowed down before her as a Besides that have you noticed that divine being, she taking the place of the during the past few years every one of Bible and God Almighty, while in the the doctrines of the Bible came under ery and obscenity as have never been witnessed? Do you believe such a thing could possibly occur in Christendom toda,? No, sir. The police, whether of Paris or New York, would swoop on it I know intidelity makes a good deal of talk in our day. It is on the principle that if a man jumps overboard from Canard steamer he makes more excitement than all the 500 people that stay on the decks. But the fact that he jumps overboard-does that stop the

ship? Does that wreck the 500 passen gers? It makes great excutement when a man 'umps from a lecturing platform earth is like an old castle with 20 gates or f om the pulpit into infidelity. But does that keep the Bible and the church from carrying their millions of passen gers into the skies?

They say-these men-that science is overcoming religion in our day. They look through the spectacles of the infidel scientists, and they say: "It is impos sible that this book can be true. Peo ple are finding it out. The Bible has got to go overboard. Science is going to throw it overboard." Do you believe that the Bible's account of the origin of lite will be overthrown by unfidel scibut the battery of the gospel is planted entists who have 50 different theories about the origin of life? If they should east, west. You all know that the chief come up in solid phalanx, all agreeing on one sentiment and one theory, per ies. It may take many days to plant haps Christianity might be dam ged, the batteries, and they may do all their but there are not so many differences of

People used to say: "There are so denominations agree on the two or three O years of this century.

So Christianity is falling back, and the all split up. You cannot find

The fact is that some naturalists, just homes in Brooklyt? The Bible. In as soon as they find out the difference between the feelers of a wasp and the Almighty, while Agassiz, glorious Agteenth century would become extinct. assiz, who never made any pretensions have been more-Bibles published in the doctrine of evolution and says, "I see latter part of the century than in the that many of the naturalists of our day former part of the century do you think are adopting facts which do not bear the Bible will become extinct in the observation or have not passed under observation." These men warring with each other-Darwin warring against

They do not agree about anything. They do not agree on embryology; do not agree on the gradation of the What do they agree on? Herschel writes a whole chapter on the errors of astronomy. La Place declares that the moon was not put in the right place. He says that if it been put four times farhter from the to pass out of existence, and then you earth than it is row there would be more harmony in the universe, but Lionville comes up just in time to prove that the moon was put in the

right place. How many colors woven into the says David Brewster. How high is the aurora borealis? Two and a half miles You know that there are a thousand says Lias. One hundred and sixiy. men who would die in defense of this eight miles says Twining. How far is est Christain we have, and with one-

Which is the more popular? Why, of propose to render their verdict, no two metric system has many imperfections.

after having spent the whole night in deliberating. If the jury say, "Yes, we have agreed," the verdict is record-make four as that the Lord God Alcollection of bypocrites, and it is losing murder," and another says, "I think he Son to die. think he was guilty of assault and battery with in ent to kill," the judge would say: "Go back to your room and bring in a verdict. Agree on something. That is no verdict.

H-re these it fidel sci-n ists have im paneled themselv s as a jury to decide this trial between intidelity, the plainoff, and Christianity, the defendant, as d after being out for centuries they come in to render their verdict G ntlemen of the jury, have you agree on a verdic? No, no. Then go back for another 500 years and deliberate and agree on something. The e is not a

please these men who cannot agree on auything Ah, my friends, the church of Jesus Christ, instead of falling back, is on the advance. I am certain it is on the advance, O Lord God, take thy sword

from thy thigh and ride forth to the victory. I am mightily encouraged because I find among other things that while this Christianity has been bombarded for centuries infidelity has not destroyed one church, or crippled one minister, or uprooted one verse or one chapter of all the Bible. The church all the time getting the victory, and the shot and shell of its enemies nearly exhaus-

I have been examining their ammunition lately. I have looked all through their cartridge boxes. They have not in the last 20 years advanced one new their ammunition in the battle against the church and against the Scriptures, while the sword of the Lord Almighty is as keen as it ever was. We are just getting our troops into line. They are coming up in companies, and in regiments, and in brigades, and you will hear a shout after awhile that will make the earth quake and the heavens ring with "Alleluia!" It will be this, 'Forward, the whole line!"

And then I find another most en couraging thought in the fact that the secular printing press and pulpit seem barnessed in the same team for the proclamation of the gospel. Every Wall street banker temorrow in New York, every State street banker tomorrow in Boston, every Third street banker tomorrow in Philadelphia, every banker in the United States and every merchant will have in his pocket a treatise on Christianity, a call to repentance-10, 20 or 30 passages of Scriptures in the reports of sermons preached throughout these cities and throughout the land today. It will be so in Chicago, so in New Orleans, so in Charleston, so in Boston, so in Philadelphia, so everywhere. I know the tract societies are doing

a grand and glorious work, but I tell you there is no power on earth today equal to the fact that the American printing press is taking up the sermons which are preached to a few hundred or a few thousand people, and on Monnot remember a few years ago when influence. It has cured us" Whose every paper in the United States had testimony will you take in regard to an editorial on the subject, "Is There Such a Thing as Future Punishment?" It was the strangest thing that there should be a discussion in the secular papers on that subject, but every paper in the United States and in Christendom discussed, "Is There Such a Thing as Retrioution?" I know there were small wits who made sport of the discussion, but there was not an intelligent may on earth who, as the result of that discussion, did not ask himself the question, "What is going to be my eternal destiny?" So it was in regard

to Tyndal's prayer gauge. About 12 years ago, you remember, the secular papers discussed that with just as much earnestness as the religious papers, and there was not a man in Christendom who did not ask himseif the questions: "Is there auything in prayer? May the creature impress the Creator?" On, what a mighty fact, what a glorious fact—the secular printing press and the pulpit of the church of Jesus Christ harnessed in the same

team! Then look at the international series of Sunday school lessons. Do you know that every Sabbath between 3 and 5 o'clock there are 5,000,000 children studying the same lesson—a lesson prepared by the leading minds of the country and printed in the papers—and then these subjects are discussed and given over to the teachers, who give them over to the children, so whereas onceand within our memory-the children nibbled here and there at a story in the Bible, now they are taken through from Genesis to Revelation, and we shall have 5,000,000 children forestalled for Christianity. My soul is full of exultation. I feel as if I could shout-I will shout, "Alleluia. the Lord God

omnipotent reigneth!" Then you notice a more significant fact, if you have talked with people on the subject, that they are getting dissatisfied with philosophy and science as a matter of comfort. They say it does not amount to anything when you have a dead child in the house. They tell you when they were sick and the door of the future seemed opening the only comfort they could find was in the gospel. People are having demonstrated all over the land that science and philosophy cannot solace the trouble and woes of the world, and they want some other religion, and they are taking Christianity, the only

sympathetic religion that ever came into the world. You just take your scientific consolation into that room where a mother has lost her child. Try in that case your splendid doctrine of the "survival of the fittest." Tell her that child died because it was not worth as much as the other children. That is your "survival of the fittest." Go to that dying man and tell him to pluck up courage for the future. Use your transcendental phraseology upon him.
Tell him he ought to be conconfident in the "great to be," and the
"everlasting now," and the "eternal what is it." Just try your transcendentalism, and your science on him.

Go to that widowed soul and tell her it was a geological necessity that her companion should be taken away from her, just as in the course of the world's history the megatherium had go on in your scientific consolation until you get to the sublime fact that 50,000,000 years from now we ourselves may be scientific specimens on a geological shelf-petrified specimens of an extinct human race.

And after you have got all though with your consolation, if the poor afflicted soul is not crazed by it, I will send forth from this church the plain-

The only exact scince is Christinanity "Gentlemen of the jury, have you |- the only thing under which you can agreed on a verdict?" asks the court or appropriately write, "Quod etat demon- WASHINGTON TO BE INVADED BY the clerk of the jury as they come in strandom" You tell me that two and ed. But suppose one of the jurymen | mighty made this world, and for a man says, "I think the man was guilty of the singer he sent his only begotten

I put on the wirness stand to testify in behalf of Christianity the church on earth and all the church in heaven Not 50, not 1,000, not 1,000 000, but all ne emrch on earth and all the re d-+m+d in heav+n.

You tell me James A Garfield States on the 4 h of March, 1881 H. w do I know 1 ? You tell me there were 20,000 persons who distinctly herad his inaugural address. I deay that he was mangurated. I deay that his mangur al address was delivered. You ask why. I did not see it. I did not neod Washington Easier Monday with the it. But you say that there were 2001 persons who did see and hear him. a court tomorrow that could be con-demoed by a jury that did not agree on the verdict, and yet you expect us testimony. You will not take my testimony. You say: You know nothto give up our glorious Christianity to ling about it. You were not there. Let us have the restrictor of the 20,000 persons was stood before the capital and heard that magnificient inaugural way of course that is as your compon sense dictates.

> anything like it ever occurred. I point affections. We have seen him and of desperate and reckless men under feit him in our soul, and we have heard | such leaders. his voice. We have heard it in storm not heard the voice of Christ, have not seen the coronation, or will you take the thousands and millions of Christians who testify of what they saw with their own eyes and heard with

their own ears? Yonder is an aged Christian after 50 vears experience of the power of godiness in his soul. Ask this man whether, when he be buried his dead, the religon of Jesus Christ was not a consolation. Ask him if through the long years of his pilgrimage the Lord looks for ward to the future if he has not a paece, and joy, and a consolation the world cannot take away. Put his testimony of what he has seen and what he has felt opposite the testimony of a man who says he has not seen anything on the subject or felt any thing on the subject. Will you take the testimony of people who have not

seen or people who have seen? You say morphia puts one to sleep. You say in time of sickness it is very useful. I deny it. Morphia never puts anybody to sleep. It never alleviates pain. You ask me why I say that. I have never tried it. I never took it. I deny that morphia is any soothing to the nerves or any quiet in times of sickness. I deny that morphia ever put anybody to sleep. But here are 20 persons who say they have all prescribing morphine. Whose testimony will you take-those who took the medday morning and Monday evening, in icine or my testimony, I never having every came down to earth. Here is a man who says: "I done believe in it. this healing medicine?

> Christ in their own heart bas take their testimony. Young man, do not be ashame; to be a friend of the Bible. Do not put your thumb in your vest, as young men som-times do and swagger about talking of the glorious light of the Sight. That was a revolt of oppresion nineteenth century and of there being no need of a Bible. They have the light of nature in India and China and in all the dark pieces on earth. Did you ever hear that the light of nature gave them comfort for their trouble? They have lance's to cur and jugg-rnauts to crush, but no comfor. Ah, my friends, you had better stop your kepticism. Suppose you are put it. this crisis: On, father, your child is

dving! What are you going to say to her? Colonel Ethan Allen was a famous r-fidel in his day. His wife was a very consecrated woman. The mother instructed the daughter in the truths of Caristianity. The daughter sickened and was about to die, and she said to her father: "Father, shall I take your instruction, or shall I take mother's instruction? I am going to die now, I mu t have this matter decided." That man, who had been loud in his infidelity, said to his dying daughter. "My dear, you had better take your mother's religion." My advice is the same to you, O young man-you had hetter take your mother's religion. You know how it comforted her. You know what she said to you when she was dying. You had better take your mother's religion.

A Slick Company, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 17 .- There appeared a few days ago in The State an account of the location, by the State's fertilizer inspectors, of a large amount of fertilizers in Marlboro county, near the North Carolina line, to which the South Carolina tax tags had not been affixed. The officers who came across the fertilizers, thought that the North Carolina company could be held liable for the violation of the laws of this State. But the company was too sharp. Had it delivered the stuff in South Carolina to the purchasers then t would have been lieble. But instead of delivering it, it got the South Carolina Farmers, who live near the line, to come across to the factory with their wagons and the fertilizers were thus delivered in North Carolina. The farmers brought the stuff in themselves, and f the State gets its tax it will have to collect it from them. Governor Tillman says the company simply duped and coled the poor farmers of this State into breaking the law. The State will, however, try to collect the tax from the farmers, who have the fertilizers in their possession.—State,

Advice to a Girl, George W. Childs once said to a girl from the west, who went to him with letters and the hope of getting sufficient influence to do something arable field of journalism: "Little wo man, if you can do something, go ahead and do it. The world is hungry for something new. It is an omnivorous creature, but it wants a change constantly. Keep as quiet as you can. Keep out of cien's ways as much as you can, for it is trespassing to go on private property. Keep yourself good health, good spirits and good clotnes, and don't try to be a good felyour earnings. Go to church. Be ag- Dem ceats from both factions will go

COXEY AND HIS CREW.

500,000 UNEMPLOYED.

There is Danger Lurking in Such an Army -The March Mast Ba Stopped or Bloodshed May Ramit-Danger of Ravolu-

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- The capital will soon be invested with 500,000 unemployed if steps are not taken to stop Coxey in his mad intentions. The army which he thr-areneued to rais- 1naugurated president of the United not a myth, and there is some agitation visible on he a-ual came exterior of the city which I'E .fant so carefully laid our to prev-n' revolutions. this army to be composed of cranks, anarchists and tramps is fist being rm d. It contemplates starting for

purpose of demending from Chagress the issue of \$500 000,000 of aon interpoor, miserable wretch in the Tombs say I cannot take it anyhow; I did nor lest bearing bonds. Little attention was paid at first to Coxey's fulminations, his proclamations and general orders. H- was simply regarded as a man with wheels, commonly called a crank. These wheels have evolved faster and more eff-crually than Lamont even imagined possible, and the great fear now is that with a nuclus started, every vagabood tramo and desperate charac-Now, here are some men who say ter in the country will swarm down they never seen Christ crowned in the upon Washington and the movement heart, and they do not believe it is ever | will get beyond control of the officers done. There is a group of men who of peace. What is feared most is that say they have never heard the voice of the mob will fall a prey to red handed Corist. They have never heard the anarchists who would welcome such an voice of God. They do not believe it uprising. To such a mob they would apever transpire or was ever head-that ply the torch of their inflammatory speeches. Dynamite and nitroglyceto 20, 100,000 or 1,000,000 people who rine would do the rest. No civil ausay: "('hrist was crowned in our hearts | thorities could cope with a great army

> Once the standard of anarchy was take? These men who say they have follow before the disorder could be put down. If the route marked out by Coxey is followed it will be through the region around Pittsburg where there are thousands upon thousands of Poles. Huns and other non-English speaking people, most of whom at present are unemployed, and all whom are by nature revolutionists and enemies of law and order.

They are the material from which

Coxey's recruits would naturally come. Should the army start and swell into ever forsook him. Ask him when he here would of course expect the Governor of Pennslvania to call out troops, if necessary, to disperse them. But if no violent demoustration were made no legal means could be used to dispel a peaceful gathering and some fine morning in the letter part of April, the whole vast nondescript concouse, headed by Coxey and his crew, might march into Washington. Long before they could reach here, however, the National Capital would have become the paradise for rag-tag and bob-tail of the country. If prevent riot, bloodshed arson and robbery enroute, all control would be lost when the army balked at its failure to force Congress to issue \$500,000,000 for their benefit, without funds, driven to the walls, would in its despair and desperation become the easy prey of anarchists;and,bomb-throwers. The leaders if felt the sootbing effects of a physician's they counciled peace, if there were any would be swept aside, and the army would become a fl.ming, furious mob howing for blood and plunder. The Evans, as the leader of the Alliance Retaken the medicine? Here is the gospel awful scenes of the French revolution form faction. The trouble with this, be the American R-public. Coxey little | Congress and it won d come hard to take There is no power, in it" Here are furnish employment for all those withother people who say: "We have found out work that he may be inciting a rebeilion, that may shake the Republic from turret to foundation stone. It is worthy of comment that Coxey in the organization of his army has followed closely the plan of the French revolu-I feel that I have convinced every tion. His divisions, commune and canman in this house that it is utter folly teen are those of the French revolution. to take the testimony of those who He has even gove to the extent of borhave never tried the gospel of Jesus rowing the little "cit.z-a and cetizeene," life. We have tens of thousands of which obtained in Paris in the dark witnesses. I believe you are ready to days when the victims of the revolution were carted over the cable stones of guillotine by the hundred, when a prostitute was enthroned as the god 'ess of reason and all the monarchs of Europe gasped and trembled in horror at the

against royalty and caste, this might be a revolt of poverty against entrenched wealth.
Were such an unfortunate state of affairs to be the result of Coxey's sense-less descent upon the capital, no city in

out such a riot as Washington.

The city was laid out by L'Enfant a Freuch engineer employed by Washington with the special object of defence in view. From several central points, the Capitol, the White House, Dupont Circle, and Scott Circle, broad avenues radiate in every direction. From these central points cannon and Gailing guns could command the entire city. L'Enfint who experienced all the horrors of the Freuch revolution with all its c-untless barracades in long crooked narrow streets, drew the map of Washington with an eye to preventing a Fort Meyer, on Arlington Heights, opposite Washington there are several regiments of cavalry and infantry which could be thrown into Washington at a moment's notice, and at the Marine barracks are quartered a thousand tried and trained marines. With cannon, gun and sabre they could play sad navoc with Coxey's army, and the Congress of the United States, besieged in its citadel, would not hesitate to authorize the use of every man and gun at Uncle Sam's command to put down

anarchy and lawlessness. The general impression here is that the State of Onio, where this incipient rebellion is being nursed and cradled to be sent out on its work of blood and devastation, owes it to itself to stamp it

out with an iron heel. Secretary Lamont has received a communication from Gen. Frye, saying that he had organized an army of 800 men at Los Angles, and proceeded to serve notice on the Secretary of War that the army was ready to march on Washington, and demanded transportation and rations. While this bluff was being played another interesting episode was occuring about the capital. Representative Sweet, of Idado, had been appealed to persistently to introduce a bill of financial relief. Coming from a silver producing state and desirous of aiding his people Mr. Sweet agreed to offer the bill. A few days ago it was handed to him. Expecting to find something looking to the further coinage of silver he was astonished to find in it a demand of the most extravagant nature. Having promised to present it he did so, but wrote the ominous words, "by request" on the back of the bill. After numerous sections about bond issues, the bill ended with this significant sentence: "And all citiz-ns making applica-

tion for labor shall be employed."-Augusta Chronicle.

Barmony Wanted.

Austin, Texas. March 17 .- The two State executive committees of the two Democratic factions will meet in Dallas Monday to bring about harmony in the party in Texas, and to fix a date and place for the next meeting of the State low or one of the boys. Save half of Danscratic convention. Prominent men who would die in defense of this book where there is not more than one man who would die in defense of any other book. You try to insult my common sense by telling me the Bible is fading out from the world. It is the most popular book of the century. How do I know it just as I know in regard to other books. How many volumes of that book are published? A hundred thousand.

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ELLERBE MUST COME DOWN.

COLUMBIA. S. C., March 20 .- The Stare, which some how or other, seems to stand in well with some prominent alliancemen, published yesterday the following political gossip: The manipulation of the political chess board of Reform just now seems

to be productive of some new surprise every day. The practical withdrawal of Secretary of State Tindal from the race for Governor was no little surprise of itself, and it was much talked of yeserday, but there is another surprising condition of affairs whith har arisen since the Lexington campaign meeting. which will likely affect the coming cam paign and fight for the nomination, both in the convention and in the pri pary far more than Mr. Tiodal's withdrawal. The State has already predicted that he fight was going to be narrowed

down to a battle between one man from the Irby R form side and one man from stated that the two leaders who would so battle would be John Gary Evans | roofs were blown off two stores. Scores and omperolle General Ellerbe. This was the case up to the time of the Lex ington meeting on Saturday, but now it begins to appear that some one else will be at the head of the Alliance Reform

surprising character. It is all the more surprising because he has all along been a warm supporter of Comptroller General Ellerbe against all the other says the tail of a cyclone struck that candidates whose name have been suggested. He states that at the Lexington meeting the Comptroller General disappointed his friends terribly. Eland darkness. We have heard it again and again." Whose testimory will you and probably loss of many lives, would stump speaker and after getting half way with what this man terms his "school boy" oration, he faltered, got tered the debris over the country for mixed up and finally gave up completely and took his seat. Now he says unless Eilerbe retrieves himself, and spreading ruin in every direction. Telshows up more strength as a stump egraph wires are prostrated and details speaker at the Spartanburg meeting, on Saturday next. as much as they wish to push him through, they will select some other leaper.

He states that they have no idea that John Gary Evans is going to abide by alarming proportions the authorities the nomination of the coming nominating campaign, in which they will be able to do as they please, and they must have a man, who, as soon as he has to go before the people and make the fight, can tackle John Gary Evans on the stump and give nim as good or better than he sends.

He states further that they are already looking about for another leader. He says that some are anxious to take W. D. Evans up. This man has had fine training as a stump speaker and by a miracle, the leaders are able to can more than match his youthful opponent, but the objection to him is raised that he is president of the State Farmers' Alliance, and that organization wishes to keep its officers out of active politics. He says, bowever, that Mr. Evans can resign the presidency. Some of the other men in this faction, he says, are very anxious to have Congressman Mc Leurin come back from Washington and enter the list against John Gary enacted in the enlightened capital of the only man South Carolina now has in dreams, in his Don Quixotic scheme to him cutof that body. He regards McLau rin as the ablest fighter in the Reform party and says that he could easily meet and handle Tillman on the stump. Such is the situation now. Things

are unsettled, but in two or three days after the Spartanburg meeting the leader will be definitely decided upon and for that time on the figut will be made to the finish between the two factions of uings that Secretary of State Tindal described in his letter yesterday and deplored the fact that such a condition was imminent, exist.

It seems that the anticipation of the fact that John Gary Evans will not abide the decision on the convention is well grounded

THOMAS CLEVELAND, the white ne gro, who has been exhibited before medical men in Philadelphia, is going to New York, and will probably appear affairs to be the result of Coxey's sense-less descent upon the capital, no city to the country is so well situated to stamp ry one. Although a full-blooded negro the coloring pigment in his epidermis is entirely absent. He is the only living negro who is completely white without s olack spot on any part of his

body. THE teller of the Merchants' National Bank of Middletown, Ohio, one of this Morning Jhon Cobo's throat was the richest country banks in the West | cut and he died in a few minutes. Brad and the depository of the great tobacco section of the Miama Valley, is Miss Louisa Smith, a remarkably pretty young girl.

AT a dinner in Berlin given by Count Schoubaloff Emperor William appearrepetition of such horrors here. At ed in a Russian uniform and cordially drank the Czar's health. It is taken as a sign that the friendly relations between Germany and Russia are sincere.

WHILE a grave crisis in Belgian poitical affairs is transpiring at Brussels. King Leopold is absent, having skipped the town and gone to Geneva without explaining the why or wherefore.

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What a Prominent Alliance Leader

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 20 .- The damage to property in the Mississippi Vall-v by storms and floods during the of the little town of Cacaria, situated past forty-eight hours is beyond calculation. Bridges have been washed away, houses wrecked, railroad tracks acted there. The perpetrator of the displaced, farm land has been flattened deed was a well known man of the out, especially in the bottoms, and town named Rafal Lopez. He was encrops that have been promising are gaged to marry Miss Forina, the pretty eight inches. There are eleven railroads entering Memphis, and every one | of them has been subjected to washouts. er is submerged for several miles in White river swamp. The storm in Arkansas was accompanied by high winds from Helena, Arkansas, says that a cyclone struck that place last night, unroofed houses, uprooting trees, blowing the Alliance Reform side, and it was down fences, splintering telephone poles and doing other damage. The of trees were uprooted and innumerable fences blown down. A row of negro shanties located on the levee cear the Mississippi Valley depot was completely demolished. Great excitement prevailed among business men who were cut off from their homes by the Yesterday, a very prominent leader fury of the storm. So far as can be on the Alliance Reform side had a long learned there was no loss of life in the city. The country a few miles south of Helena was greatly damaged, as the talk with representative of The State and he gave some information of a very storm seemed to have been more furious down the river than in the city. A dispatch from Chattanooga, Tenn.

place this afternoon and wrecked a number of buildings. The wind was followed by a terrific rain and hail storm, which flooded the streets and smashed windows and sky-lights. In tne vicinity of Popular Grove and Marvel, Ark., the cyclone wrecked a dozen or more farm houses and scatmiles around. The cyclone crossed the river into Mississippi near Helena, Ark, are slow coming in, but no loss of life is reporten so far.

Must Pay Up. COLUMBIA, S. C., March 23.-Judge Simonton has rendered another decision which shows that all the railroad tax cases in this State are to be judged exactly as in the case of the South Carolina Road, decided last week. The tollowing in the decision in the case of the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Road:

"The bill in this case was filed to restrain certain persons filling the offices of sheriff and County Treasurer in the State of South Carolina from proceeding to levy tax executions upon the ground of illegal assessment of the property of complainant. The allegations of the bill and the issues made by the answer are almost, if not en irely, identical with those in the case of Chamberlain, receiver, vs Walter et all., the opinion in which was filed on 13th March current. This case varies from that in other feaures. The bili of the receiver was ane llary to F. W. Bound vs South Carolina Railway Company, and our jurisdiction did not depend upon citizenship or amount in controversy. This case is an original bill and the

first question is as to the jurisdiction. Ine persons actio as County Treasurer and as sheriff of five counties are detendants. After to- tender and payment of so much of the taxes as are admitted to have been the result of lawful assessment, there is due in the couny of Florer c- \$2,734.39; in the county of H rr. \$328 23; to the county of Maron \$1 685 23; in the County of Recals. d \$2.724 29, and in the County of Sumter \$1 683 72

"Under Walter v. Northeastern Railnad Company, 147 U.S., 370, and Northern Pacific Radroad Company vs Walker, 48 U S., this court has no urisdiction over the questions raised against the Treasurers and sheriffs of Horry, Marion and Sumter, and as to tuese the bill should be dismissed. With regard to the Treasurer and sheriff of the County of Recoland, and of the County of Florence, this case is controlled by the case of Chamberlain vs Walter, sbove referred to.

"Let an order be prepared dismissing he bill. "CHAS, H. SIMONTON.

"Circun Judge." March 19, 1894. A Vend-tta.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA, March 21 .- In general fight between the Cobb and King families at Three Notches, Ala, King and his brother Dave were badly wounded. Warrants were issued for the entire King family, consisting of the tather and three sons. The fight was the result of an old feud, and is the fourth murder in ten days in Bullock

County. GEN. Howard, after examining the defences of our Atlantic seaboard cities reports that not one has any modern means of defence. Washington will probably be the first city properly protected. Work is now going on at old Fort Washington, ten miles down the Irver.

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ruined. During the two days the pre- daughter of Martin Parenza, a wealthy cipitation at Memphis reached about ranchero of that section. Having recently heard reports very degratory to he character of Lopez, the young lady wrote him a letter breaking their en-Two miles of the track of the Chesa- gagement. Shortly after he received peake, Outcand Southwestern Railroad the letter, Lopez called upon her and was swept away at the Hatchie river, pleaded to be reinstated in her affect seven miles north of Memphis. The tions, but she refused. The father of St. Louis and Southwestern and the the girl, with true Spanish hospitality, Tennessee Midland each report five invited the discarded lover to remain washouts, while the track of the form- for dinner and the invitation was accepted. The three sat down to eat and Lopez, in a seceret manner, put poison in several dishes of food and then parand more damage was done in that took of the fatal mixtures also. In a S ate than in Tennessee. A dispatch few minutes all three were taken deathly til and all died before a physician could be summoned. CHARLESTON, March 16 .- Jerry Horleck was hanged in Berkeley county ail yard this morning for the murder of Bob Hrz-l, a constable, last spring. Early this morning, the prisoner at tempted to commit suicide, and succeed n gashing his neck and wrist with a piece of tin, but he was discovered in time and he was quickly rivived and hanged. He died protesting that he

A Mad Love.

DURANGO, Mexico, March 21-There

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about sixty miles North of here, over a

terrible tragedy that has just been en-

had killed the constable in self-defuse

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